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Mr. Del Smith
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 West Washington Street
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RE: REVISION OF Advice 33, Docket No. T-01869-A-05, submitted August 29, 2005

Dear Mr. Smith:

Per Staff's recommendation, I am submitting the revised tariff sheets listed below that were sent to the Commission on August 29. Included are the additions that reference a) verification of customer continuing eligibility, b) maintenance of records per Arizona Corporation Commission's requirements, c) State Children's Health Insurance Plan, d) Customers are not eligible for Lifeline or Link Up if they are currently on the plan with another Carrier.

Enclosed are the First Revised Sheets, No.'s 17, 18 an Original 18a, First Revised Sheet 20 and 21 under Schedule E -1, Lifeline and Link Up along with the required 13 copies. This filing will replace the Original Sheets of the same numbers. Also included is the cover sheet with copies. Enclosed, you will find that we have replaced all prior sheets submitted in the filing.

The purpose of this filing under Advice 33, is to adopt the expanded eligibility criteria for Lifeline and Link-Up per Docket No. T-00000A-05-0380, Decision No. 67941.

As always, if you have questions, please call 702-346-5211.

Sincerely,

Harold Oster
Harold Oster
Area Manager

Encl. as noted

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SCHEDULE NO. E-1

LINK UP

1. GENERAL

Applicable to all residential customers of the Company who apply for basic residential service, and meet the eligibility requirements detailed below.

2. DESCRIPTION

Link Up consists of a 50% discount, up to a maximum of \$30 for new service connection charges to connect the customer to the local telephone network.

In addition, the customer may defer payment on up to \$200 on connection charges without interest for a period not to exceed one year. The deferred charges do not include any permissible security deposits required. The deferred charges shall be paid in equal monthly portions over the deferral period. If any payments are delayed, interest shall accrue from that date forward.

3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

A. An applicant must meet all of the following criteria in order to qualify for Link Up.

1. The consumer must participate in one of the following programs:
 - a. Medicaid
 - b. Food Stamps
 - c. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
 - d. Federal Public Housing Assistance
 - e. Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program
 - f. Consumer's income at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines (FPG)
 - g. Temporary assistance to needy families (TANF)
 - h. National school lunches (NFL)
 - i. State Children's Health Insurance Plan (SCHIP)

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SCHEDULE NO. E-1

LINK UP

3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (cont'd)

A. (cont'd)

2. The consumer must sign, under penalty of perjury a document certifying:
 - a. He/she is receiving benefits from one of the programs in A.1. above.
 - b. Name of the program from which they are receiving benefits.
 - c. That he/she will notify the company if he/she no longer participates in the program in b. proceeding.
3. The premises at which the residential service is requested is the applicant's principal place of residence.
4. There is only one telephone line serving the residential premises. The residential premises shall consist of that portion of an individual house or building or one flat or apartment occupied by a single family or individuals functioning as one domestic unit.

B. Link Up will not be furnished on a Foreign Exchange (FEX) basis.

C. Consumers shall be allowed to receive benefit under the Link Up Program for a second or subsequent time only for a principal place of residence with an address different from the residential address at which the Link Up assistance was previously provided.

D. A customer is not eligible for Link Up from the Company if he/she is currently receiving Lifeline and Link Up credit for service provided by another Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

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SCHEDULE NO. E-1
LINK UP(Cont'd)

4. VERIFICATION AND RECORDS

- A. Verification of customer continuing eligibility shall be via statistically valid sampling or other means performed by the Company on an annual basis.
- B. Records will be maintained by the Company in accordance with Arizona Corporation Commission Decision No. 67941 and paragraphs 38 and 39 of FCC Order No. FCC 04-87.

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SCHEDULE NO. E-1
LIFELINE (Cont'd)

3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (cont'd)

A. (cont'd)

1. Cont'd

- d. Federal Public Housing Assistance
- e. Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program
- f. Consumer's income at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines (FPG)
- g. Temporary assistance to needy families (TANF)
- h. National school lunches (NFL)
- i. State Children's Health Insurance (SCHIP)

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- 2. The consumer must sign, under penalty of perjury, a document certifying:
 - a. He/she is receiving benefits from one of the programs in 3.A.1. above.
 - b. Name of program from which they are receiving benefits.
 - c. That he/she will notify the company if he/she no longer participates in the program named in b. proceeding.

- 3. The premises at which the residential service is requested is the applicants' principal place of residence.

- 4. There is only one telephone line serving the residential premises. The residential premises (dwelling unit) shall consist of that portion of an individual house flat or apartment occupied by a single family or individuals functioning as one domestic unit.

B. Lifeline will not be furnished on a Foreign Exchange (FEX) basis.

C. Lifeline service shall not be disconnected for nonpayment of toll charges.

D. If the consumer chooses "toll blocking" the company will not charge a service deposit.

E. A customer is not eligible for Lifeline from the Company if he/she is currently receiving Lifeline and Link Up credit for service provided by another Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

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SCHEDULE NO. E-1
LIFELINE (Cont'd)

4. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd)

- F. Low-income customers who qualify under Arizona Low Income Telephone Assistance Plan (ALITAP) will receive the federal baseline support amount equal to 100% of subscriber line charge plus the additional \$1.75 in federal Lifeline support. ALITAP customers are also eligible to receive matching federal Lifeline support in an amount equal to one-half the amount of the state support. For example, if the 17% discount in local service charges contributed by the state equaled \$2.00, the matching federal Lifeline support amount would equal \$1.00. State support under A.R.S. 46.703 would be in addition to this amount.

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